

Sunday, May 31, 2026

ORDER *of* SERVICE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are a family of believers partnering together to glorify God, serve one another and advance the cause of Christ. Before the service officially begins, we have a short time of announcements to welcome those who are new and help members know some of what God's doing here at CBC.

PERSONAL REFLECTION

God wants us to worship Him from the heart. Take some time to prepare yourself to approach Him in faith and love by reading the following.

"I take it for granted that you have some religion. You are not an infidel. You profess and call yourself a Christian. Well, is your Christianity formal or spiritual? Is religion with you a matter of form, or a matter of the heart? Is it form or heart?"
J.C. Ryle

"God has not called His people to be drones, nor to maintain an attitude of passiveness. No, He bids them work, toil, labour. The sad thing is that so many of them are engaged in the wrong task, or, at least, giving most of their attention to that which is incidental, and neglecting that which is essential and fundamental. "Keep thy heart with all diligence" (Proverbs 4:23): this is the great task which God has assigned unto each of His children." A.W. Pink

"O for a heart to praise my God! A heart from sin set free." Charles Wesley

"God sees not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7

CALL TO WORSHIP

Our service begins by hearing from God as He calls us to come and worship Him.

"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." Revelation 21:1-5

PRAYER OF ADORATION

OPENING SONG

As believers, God commands us to be filled with the Spirit and to address one another - in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs - singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord with all our heart.

CONFESSION

One of the key steps to enjoying the gospel is remembering how much you need it. To help you do that, think about the following passages.

"Do not love the world, nor the things in the world. If any one loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the boastful pride of life is not from the Father, but is from the world." 1 John 2:15,16

"This is pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father, to visit orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself unstained by the world." James 1:27

"...friendship with the world is hostility toward God. Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God." James 4:4

"And do not be conformed to the world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect." Romans 12:2

PRAYER

We want to humble ourselves before God and confess our sins to Him, trusting in His promise to show mercy to those who come to Him depending on Christ. Each one of you should take a moment to present yourself to God, acknowledge yourself to be a sinner, humbling yourself before God, and believing that He will be gracious to you through Jesus.

- What have you set your mind on most this week?
- What would you say you have wanted most?
- Where have you been seeking your happiness primarily this week?
- If you think about your conversations this week – what did you most easily talk about?
- Which would you say you have worked harder at this week – your relationship with God or pursuit of being comfortable in this life?
- How has your time with God been this week? Have you been able to spend unrushed time enjoying Him? If you are so busy that you have been unable to do that, why?

GOSPEL PROMISE

God makes big promises to those who come to Him looking for salvation. Let's stand together and confess our faith in God's goodness through the following responsive reading from Ephesians 2:4-10.

Congregation: But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ

Pastor: By grace you have been saved

Congregation: And raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

Pastor: For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Congregation: For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

SONGS OF PRAISE

The gospel is good news and should fill our hearts with joy. This is an opportunity for that joy to overflow in song.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 21:5-9

PASTORAL PRAYER

GIVING

One way we express faith in God's goodness and gratitude for His mercy is by partnering together for the proclamation of the gospel through sacrificial giving.

PERSONAL PREPARATION

Listening to God's Word is a privilege and responsibility. Come humbly and hopefully. Ask God for His help!

"But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit." 2 Corinthians 3:18

SERMON TEXT

Luke 21:5-6

DOXOLOGY

A doxology is a short expression of praise to God. Singing this particular one together as we close the service helps us express our gratitude for the opportunity we have had to worship God together.

